OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, MYSORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, BANGALORE.

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Abstract of the proceedings of the Thirty-eighth Meeting of the Mysore Legislative Council, June 1939.

The fifth meeting of the fifth reconstituted Legislative Council was held in the Council Hall, Public Offices, Bangalore, commencing on Monday the 19th June 1939 and concluding its sitting on the 29th June 1939. The Council was in Session for ten days. *Amin-ul-Mulk* Sir Mirza M. Ismail, K.C.I.E., O.B.E., Dewan, occupied the President's Chair on all the days except on the last day when *Rajamantrapravina* N. Madhava Rau occupied the Chair. All the members were present.

II. New Members.

The following 13 officials and non-officials made the prescribed oath of allegiance to His Highness the Maharaja and took their seats :—

1. Sir Harold N. Colam
2. Mr. E. G. B. Peel
3. ,, C. Subrahmanya Aiyar
4. ,, J. Appaji Gowda
5. ,, G. Ramanujaiengar
6. ,, T. B. Mallegowda
7. ,, K. Rangiengar
8. Mr. H. M. Siddaramiah
9. ,, R. B. Bhavarlall
10. ,, H. Lingappa
11. ,, G. Benn White
12. ,, F. M. Abdul Qhuddus
13. ,, K. Srikantiah

III. Secretary's Report.

The Secretary reported to the Council that the following Acts had received the assent of His Highness the Maharaja on the dates specified against them :—

1.	Mysore Paper Currency (amendment) Act, 1939 ; I of 1939.	7th February	1939
2.	Act, further to amend the Mysore Limitation Act, 1911 ; II of 1939.	Do	do
3.	Act further to amend the Mysore Village Panchayet Act, 1926 ; III of 1939.	Do	do
4.	Act further to amend the Cattle Trespass Act, 1871, as in force in Mysore ; IV of 1939.	Do	do
5.	Societies Registration (amendment) Act, 1939 ; V of 1939.	Do	do
6.	Mysore Cigarette-tobacco Safeguarding Act, 1939 ; VI of 1939.	Do	do
7.	Mysore Tea Control Act, 1939 ; VII of 1939 ...	Do	do
8.	Mysore Power Alcohol Act, 1939 ; VIII of 1939 ...	Do	do

IV. Condolence.

Reference was made, in the afternoon of the first day of the Session, to the sad demise of *Rajakaryapravina Rao Bahadur* Dr. T. V. Arumugam Mudaliar, retired Senior Surgeon in Mysore, and as a token of respect for the memory of the departed Soul, the House was adjourned for the rest of the day.

V. Questions and Answers.

There were 79 questions on the Agenda of which 43 questions were starred and 36 unstarred. Printed answers were furnished to the members in respect of 41 starred questions and 34 unstarred questions. All the starred questions for which answers had been furnished were put and answered on the floor of the House.

VI. Election of four members to the Senate of the Mysore University.

The election of four members to the Senate of the Mysore University took place at 5 P.M., on Wednesday the 21st June 1939. The counting was held on the same day and the results were communicated to the University.

VII. Bills.

Seventeen legislative measures came up for consideration and these were taken up on the first three days and also on the seventh day for some time. The following six Bills were finally passed :—

1 The Mysore Insurance Bill.
2 The Mysore Money Lenders Bill.
3 The Mysore Juveniles Bill.
4 The Patents and Designs (amendment) Bill.
5 The Mysore Agricultural Produce Markets Bill.
6 The Mysore Land Revenue Code (amendment) Bill.

The following Bills were read in Council and were finally passed at one sitting, suspending the Rules of Business and Standing Orders :—

1 The Mysore State Life Insurance (amendment) Bill.
2 The Provident Funds (amendment) Bill.
3 The Mysore Village Panchayet (amendment) Bill.
4 The Mysore City Municipalities (amendment) Bill.
5 The Mysore University (amendment) Bill.
6 The Workmen's Compensation (amendment) Bill.
7 The Mysore Steam Boilers and Prime-movers (amendment) Bill.

Motion to refer the following Bills to the Select Committee were also passed :—

1 The Legal Practitioners (amendment) Bill.
2 The Code of Civil Procedure (amendment) Bill.
3 The Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marketing) Bill.
4 The Mysore Coffee Husk Control Bill.

VIII. Budget for 1939-40.

The general discussion of the Budget was proceeded with on the afternoon of the third day and also on the fourth, fifth and sixth days, and the voting of demands was taken up on the sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth days. There were 247 cut motions tabled for being moved, out of which 73 were moved and discussed. Seventy-two were withdrawn after necessary explanation and only one cut motion was pressed to a division and lost. All the demands were passed.

IX. Demands for Additional and Supplementary Grants for 1938-39.

Nineteen demands for additional and supplementary grants aggregating Rs. 33,64,346 which were placed before the House were taken up on the last day. Out of 24 cut motions tabled for consideration, only 9 were moved and withdrawn after explanation offered by the Government. All the demands were passed.

X. Report of the Public Accounts Committee for the year 1937-38.

On the third day, the Report of the Committee on Public Accounts and the Audit and Appropriation Report on the accounts of the Mysore Government for the year 1937-38 was adopted after some discussion.

XI. Resolutions.

Of the 24 resolutions tabled for discussion, only four were taken up. The first three resolutions were discussed and withdrawn after explanation furnished on behalf of Government. The fourth was a resolution moved by Mr. D. V. Gundappa, suggesting that a law be framed requiring that a person intending to change his religion and obtain the recognition of law for that change should make, at least fifteen days before the day of actual change, a declaration of his intention, before a Magistrate or other public authority appointed by the Government and another declaration within seven days after the change reporting that change. This resolution was discussed at great length and when put to vote, was lost, 15 voting *for* and 22 *against*.

The Council thereupon adjourned *sine die*.

C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR,
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Mysore Legislative Council.

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